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FORGETTING THE PAST.

Because a man has failed in achieving success, or because he has gone even further and wilfully wrecked the life that once promised so much, it does not follow that he can never get up again. Yet there are men everywhere who believe that certain incidents in their lives have placed them beyond redemption and that it is useless to try and begin over again. Sometimes they become impatient for the success that seems so far away and frequently give up just before it comes within their grasp. Repeated failures seem only to convince them that they can never hope to accomplish anything because of their former mistakes, and yet the miracle may be performed when least expected. It is wise to forget the past, whatever it may have been, and to train ourselves to live only in the present, says the Charleston News and Courier. Sometimes the past projects its shadows across our path and for a time we feel helpless and think it but natural that we should move in its gloom. It is possible, however, to leave the shadow behind and step out into the sunshine of the new and untried life which spreads all about us. No man can hope to make any headway in his business career who goes about with the remembrance of an unworthy past hanging like a millstone about his neck. Its weight will bear him down if he undertakes to begin the new life with the memory of the old still clinging to him.

A Russian who recently came to this country and located in Pittsburg became very irate because his wife "was disobedient and had become imbued with American ideas." So he threatened to shoot the woman, and did tear her clothes from her and burn them in the street. Then the police took a hand, and the overzealous Russian was fined \$50 and sentenced to 90 days in the workhouse. When he has paid up and gets out he is likely to have a lasting recognition of the fact that one "American idea" is that a husband cannot treat his wife like a slave. And if he objects he is at liberty to return to the land where the laws are less objectionable to him.

Continental United States has a population of over 91,000,000. That does not include outlying possessions, which have a number of millions more. The figures put this country foremost among nations having a homogenous and united people. There are several countries where the aggregate population is larger, including China and India with their hundreds of millions. But nowhere else is there such solidarity and harmony of general purpose as in the United States. We have out little differences, political and otherwise; but taking in the fundamentals the Americans are a pretty harmonious family.

The New York police have captured a band of kidnapers. This ought to afford a fine chance to make so signal an example of retribution that this despicable form of crime will receive a staggering blow to its industry of blackmailing distracted parents.

A dispatch from Berlin informs us that the Kaiser drinks with "frankly boyish enjoyment." We are glad to hear that he enjoys it. We were afraid that he might do it purely out of patriotism.

New England women are protesting against the use of corkscrew curls by stage people to portray their type. This is quite right. New England women are no longer in the daguerreotype period.

Since wholesale prices of meat have gone up a cent in Omaha, watch and see whether your butcher does not hear of it much more promptly than he did of the preceding decline of a much larger amount.

Count de Lesseps says he isn't going to fly any more. "It's all right for bachelors," he said, "but when a man intends to get married, well—it takes a good deal of courage to do either."

Inventing excuses for staying out late at night will not qualify any married man for membership in the inventors' guild, no matter how well the misadventure receives his inventions.

THE SCHOOLS OF WESTERN CANADA

In Some of the Cities and Towns the School Buildings Cannot Accommodate the Increasing Numbers.

One of the most important factors in the building of a new country is the attention that is paid by the authorities to the education of the rising generation. Fortunately for western Canada, the settlement of that new country began in such recent years that it was able to lay a foundation for this work, gained by the experience of older countries. In this way the very best is the result. Throughout the entire country are to be seen the most improved style of architecture in school buildings. The cities and towns vie with each other in the efforts to secure the best of accommodation and at the same time get architectural lines that would appeal. Sufficient to say that nowhere is there the greater attention paid to elementary and advanced education than in western Canada. A report just to hand shows that in Calgary, Alberta, there are eighty teachers employed, and the enrollment 4,228 pupils. In the Province of Alberta there was a total of 46,000 pupils attending schools in 1909. The total enrollment for the year in city, town and village schools was 22,883, and the total in rural schools was 23,165. There are in the province 970 schools with 1,323 departments. At the close of 1909 there was a total of 1,096 school districts in the province. Great attention is paid also to agricultural education. The best uses of the soil and such other matters as tend to make the agriculture less of a drudge and more of a success are employed. When there is the combination of good soil, splendid climate and healthy and advanced ideas in the methods employed in agriculture, we see accomplished the results that have placed western Canada on its present high plane in the agricultural world. There is to be found men of high standing in literary spheres as well as in financial circles who are carrying on farming, not alone for the pleasure they derive but for the profit they secure. Mr. Adler, a wide-awake business man of New York, has a ranch near Strathmore, Alberta. He is highly pleased with his success the past year. He says:

"On July 25th we estimated our crop at 6,000 bushels of wheat. A week later we increased our estimate to 12,000 bushels. A few days later we again increased our estimate, this time to 18,000 bushels, but after harvest in September we found we had 20,150 bushels. If that isn't a record, what is?" he asked.

"This crop was made with practically no moisture," he continued, "and we now have a better opinion of the fertility of Alberta lands than ever and value our lands higher than we ever did before."

Mr. Adler, who has been on the ranch for about a week, leaves for New York Saturday.

This gentleman is conducting a farm on a large scale, and has plenty of means to develop it, and his may not be taken as a fair case. There are, though, instances of thousands who have begun life on small farms in western Canada with but brains and the determination over and above the couple of hundred dollars in ready money that they possessed, and today are owners of large farms and handsome incomes, all the result of their efforts on land that was responsive to the touch of the hand that held the plow. Instances such as these can be quoted if you will communicate with the nearest Canadian government agent, who will also mail you free descriptive literature.

Nothing Much.

"I don't know whether I ought to recognize him here in the city or not. Our acquaintance at the seashore was very slight."

"You promised to marry him, didn't you?"

"Yes, but that was all."

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MISSOURI STATE NEWS

To Save the Hogs.

"If the legislature will give the veterinary department \$35,000 or \$40,000 to provide serum and the necessary deputies we'll drive hog cholera from Missouri within 60 days after we get a good start," Dr. B. F. Luckey, state veterinarian, said. Hog cholera costs the farmers of Missouri more than \$500,000 a year. Under orders from Dr. Luckey no hogs are allowed to be shipped out into the country from the stock yards of Kansas City, St. Joseph or St. Louis. He takes this precaution to prevent the spread of cholera and other diseases. If he had the serum and the deputies he would cause all hogs to be inoculated with the serum, then they could be sent throughout the state. The last legislature allowed \$10,000 for the preparation and use of hog cholera serum at the experiment station at Columbia. The work was in charge of Dr. J. W. Connaway. He produced a satisfactory serum. The appropriation was insufficient, and the station has been able to answer only about half the calls.

A Forestry School at M. U.

A course in forestry will be taught in the University of Missouri for the first time next month. Next year there will be many additions to the study, and a full 4-year course will be required of those who expect to specialize in the work. One object of the new course, in addition to giving instruction, is to have better care taken of the Ozark timber lands owned by the university. The forestry school is expected to show other forest owners in the state the most profitable methods of turning timber into lumber, at the same time preserving the forests. Practical work will be done each summer by the students in the course on the timber lands of the university.

Says Drainage Tax is Valid.

Judge C. B. Feris rendered a decision in the Cape county circuit court declaring the statute under which a flat tax of 25 cents per acre had been assessed against all the lands in the Little River district for the preliminary cost of establishing the drainage district is constitutional. The property holders of Cape county challenged the constitutionality of the statute and protested against paying as high a tax for uplands as was assessed against lands in the swamps. The Cape county protesters will appeal from the decision of Judge Feris.

Kansas City Theaters.

"St. Elmo," the dramatization of Augusta Evans Wilson's noted novel of that name, will be the attraction at the Grand for the week beginning Sunday, February 5. Few books have been so widely read, and the play is just as popular as the book.

"The Chocolate Soldier," direct from its phenomenal runs at New York, Boston and Chicago, will begin a week's engagement at the Shubert Sunday, February 5. This is the most sensational light opera success since the advent of "The Merry Widow."

At the Willis Wood for the week beginning Sunday, February 5, "Madame Sherry," the great musical comedy success, will be the attraction. The production is full of catchy airs, which are already the rage in New York, Paris, London and Berlin.

Traction Employees Organized.

The Springfield Traction company has organized its 200 employees into an association which pays sick and accident benefits, offers a course of lectures on traffic handling by experts and provides for arbitrating differences between the corporation and employees.

To Rebuild "King's Highway."

Twelve miles of the old "King's Highway" near Sikeston, the oldest road in Missouri, is to be rebuilt with rock macadam. Curtis Hill, the state highway engineer, returned after a trip to Scott county, where he organized a special benefit assessment road district to carry on the work. Later the road will be extended to New Madrid.

Prize Cow to Tour State.

Chief Josephine, the Missouri university cow which has broken all the world's records for milk production from one day to eleven months, will tour the state as one of the object lessons of the "farm extension work" cars which will run on three railroad systems through most parts of the state.

Pioneer Tobacco Man Dies.

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